

Minority- and Women-Owned **BUSINESS CONFERENCE**

hosted by Congresswoman Thelma Drake

The Conference will present small, minority, and women-owned businesses with information on starting a business, creating a business plan, financing a business, marketing and understanding customer needs, and growing a business. It will also introduce Federal, State and local resources with special programs and focuses for disadvantaged business owners:

- U.S. Small Business Administration
- HUBZone Empowerment Contracting
- 8(a) Business Development
- Virginia Department of Minority Business Enterprise
- Small Disadvantaged Business Certification
- Virginia SWAM Certification

And much more!



Wednesday, August 9th, 2006
1:00pm to 5:00pm

Department of Economic Development
Town Center of Virginia Beach
222 Central Park Avenue, 10th Floor
Virginia Beach, Virginia

Space is limited. **Registration is required.**

For more information and to RSVP, call Claire Winiarek at (757) 497-6859.